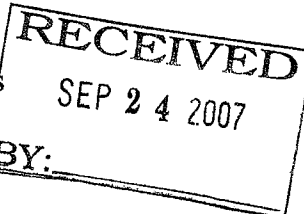


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Dear Members of the Authority,

I have been following the reports and discussions of the High Speed Rail over the past several years. When the High Speed Rail Commission came out with its recommendations to use the Altamont Pass back in the late 1990s, I was convinced by their arguments that this route was far better than the Pacheco Pass route. I am now surprised that the debate over which route to follow is still being discussed. The arguments for the Altamont Pass are so convincing. The Altamont Pass (1) would provide additional transportation for this already very congested corridor (2) would connect Central Valley cities north and south from Sacramento to Bakersfield to the Bay Area (3) the Altamont Pass area is already a disrupted corridor with numerous rail and highway thoroughfares, therefore not disturbing a federal wildlife refuge which the Pacheco Pass corridor would do.

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When making your final decision on which route to put the High Speed Rail through, please carefully consider my arguments in favor of the Altamont Pass corridor.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Ann Reynolds".

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